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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION
OF NON-COMPLIANT APPEAL BRIEF

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Dear Sir:

In the Notification of Non-compliant Appeal Brief, it was indicated that there is a typographical error that mentioned cancelled claim 1, and requested that the defective section may be submitted.

In response to the Notification, Summary of Claimed Subject Matter is attached herewith.

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Respectfully submitted,

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SUMMARY OF CLAIMED SUBJECT MATTER

Independent claim 5, supported by the specification as annotated below, recites an informing system comprising:

a service server (130) (see specification, page 6, lines 17-24, and Fig. 1) for relaying communications from an informing person (110) (see specification, page 6, lines 17-24, and Fig. 1) to informed persons (120-122) (see specification, page 6, lines 17-24, and Fig. 1),

terminal devices (111, 112; 121, 122) (see specification, page 6, lines 17-24, and Fig. 1) owned by said informing person and said informed persons connected to each other via a computer network (140) (see specification, page 6, lines 17-24, and Fig. 1), and

means for transmitting to said informed persons informing E-mails each including a URL (Universal Resource Locator) for linking a matter to the informing person, said URL having a document described with a www-compatible language and including a response column corresponding to an access of said informed matter (see specification, page 7, line 3 to page 10, line 5, flowchart of Fig. 3),

wherein said service server (130) comprises means for detecting data concerning said response column transmitted by each of the terminal devices owned by said informed persons, and means for transmitting a result of detection as a reporting E-mail to the terminal device owned by said informing person (see page 12, line 19 to page 13, line 5, flowchart of Fig. 6), and

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said reporting E-mail includes a plurality of choices for re-informing methods to the informed persons, said plurality of choices comprising placing a call to a first telephone number of informed persons having not responded, and placing a call to a second telephone number of said informed persons having not responded *(see specification, page 14, line 19 to page 15, line 5, flowchart of Fig. 8, block 817).*

Independent claim 9, supported by the specification as annotated below, recites an informing system comprising:

a service server *(130)* for relaying communications from an informing person to informed persons *(see specification, page 6, lines 17-24, and Fig. 1),*

terminal devices *(111, 112; 121, 122)* owned by said informing person and said informed persons connected to each other via a computer network *(140)* *(see specification, page 6, lines 17-24, and Fig. 1),* and

means for transmitting to said informed persons informing E-mails each including a URL (Universal Resource Locator) for linking a matter to the informing person *(see specification, page 9, lines 1-2),* said URL having a document described with a www-compatible language and including a response column corresponding to an access of said informed matter *(see specification, page 10, lines 18-25),*

wherein said service server comprises means for detecting data concerning said response column transmitted by each of the terminal devices owned by said informed persons, and means for transmitting a result of detection as a reporting E-mail to the terminal device owned by said informing person *(see page*

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12, line 19 to page 13, line 5, and flowchart of Fig. 6), and

means for preparing a list of informed persons not having checked a transmitted message, and means for periodically reporting the list to the informing person *(see page 12, line 9 to page 13, and flowchart of Fig. 6)*.